



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Date of Notice: February 16, 2005

**PUBLIC NOTICE OF EXTENSION OF REVIEW OF A
DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT
JO: 119708**

A draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) has been prepared by the City of San Diego, Land Development Review Division, for the project listed below. **Written comments regarding the adequacy of the draft EIR must be sent to the following address by April 16, 2005: Martha Blake, Associate Planner, City of San Diego Development Services Center, 1222 First Avenue, MS 501, San Diego, CA 92101 or e-mail your comments to DSDEAS@sanidiego.gov with the Project Number 27445 in the subject line. Responsible agencies are requested to indicate their statutory responsibilities in connection with this project when responding.** A final EIR incorporating public input will then be prepared for consideration by decision-making authorities.

This is an extension of the public review of the draft EIR. Minor errors were found in the distribution of the original draft EIR, thereby resulting in an extension of the public review period by 59 days (45 day review per CEQA Guidelines Section 15105, with a 14-day review extension requested by the University City Planning Group per City of San Diego Municipal Code Section 128.0307). The errors did not result in any changes to the environmental analysis or conclusions of the document.

General Project Information:

- Project No. **27445**, SCH No. **2004031011**
- Community Plan Area: **University City and Clairemont Mesa**
- Council District: **1 and 6**

SUBJECT: University City North/South Transportation Corridor Study. This EIR analyzes three basic transportation projects within University City, together with a combination of these projects, and/or others, for a total of seven (7) project "alternatives." The three basic projects include: **(1) Genesee Avenue Widening, (2) Regents Road Bridge, and (3) Genesee Avenue/Governor Drive Grade Separation.** The Genesee Avenue Widening would expand this roadway to six lanes between State Route 52 and Nobel Drive. The Regents Road Bridge would extend across Rose Canyon to connect the present street termini on either side of the canyon. The Genesee Avenue/Governor Drive Grade Separation would reconstruct the present intersection to create an underpass beneath Governor Drive to accommodate through traffic on Genesee Avenue. Three of the seven alternatives would consider each of these three basic improvements independent of one another, but each would include the construction of a second left turn lane along south bound Genesee Avenue to east bound SR-52; a second left turn lane from south bound Regents Road to east bound SR-52; and two improvements at the Genesee Avenue/Governor Drive intersection: a second west bound left turn and an exclusive west bound right turn lane from Governor to Genesee. A **fourth alternative** includes construction of both the Regents Road Bridge and Genesee Avenue Widening without the grade separation, but with the improvements at Genesee Avenue/SR-52, Regents Road/SR-52, and Genesee Avenue/Governor Drive. A **fifth alternative** includes the construction of the bridge with the grade separation, and the improvements at

Genesee Avenue/SR- 52. The **sixth alternative** is the Limited Roadway Changes which includes construction of an additional eastbound left-turn lane on the southbound side of Genesee Avenue and Regents Road at their respective interchanges with SR-52. Also, a second left-turn and right-turn lane would be added to the westbound side of Governor Drive/Genesee Avenue. The **seventh alternative** is the No Project Alternative which would include none of the above improvements, but would include the future roadway alternatives in the University Community Plan Facilities Financing Plan as well as mass transit projects envisioned by the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) prepared by SANDAG.

Applicant: City of San Diego

Recommended Finding: Based on an Initial Study, it appears that the proposed project may result in significant environmental impacts in the following areas: Land Use and Planning, Transportation and Circulation, Biological Resources, Air Quality, Noise, Neighborhood Character/Aesthetics, Landform Alteration, Geology/Soils, Recreation, Hydrology/Water Quality, Cultural Resources, Paleontology, Human Health and Public Safety. Areas within the project site are included on Government Code Listings of hazardous waste sites.

Availability in Alternative Format: To request the draft EIR and/or supporting documents in alternative format, call the Development Services Department at (619) 446-5000 or (800) 735-2929 (TEXT TELEPHONE).

Additional Information: The draft EIR and supporting documents may be reviewed, or purchased for the cost of reproduction, at the City's Development Services Center, 1222 First Avenue, Fifth Floor, San Diego, CA 92101. The document is also available for review at the following locations:

University Community Branch Library, 4155 Governor Drive, San Diego, CA 92122
Clairemont Community Service Center, 4731 Clairemont Drive, San Diego, CA 92117
Clairemont Branch Library, 2920 Burgener Boulevard, San Diego, CA 92110

For environmental review information, contact Martha Blake at (619) 446-5375. For information regarding public meetings/hearings on this project, contact Michael Mezey at (619) 533-3782. This notice was published in the SAN DIEGO DAILY TRANSCRIPT, placed on the City of San Diego web-site (<http://clerkdoc.sannet.gov/Website/publicnotice/pubnoticeqa.html>), and distributed on February 16, 2005.

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